Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended)

A golf practice device comprising a body that has vertical sides that can be struck by a moving golf ball, said body having a head portion and a base, where

(I) said head portion contains

(A) at least one battery;

(B) an electronic sound generator that generates a sound when energized by said battery;

(C) a single sensor switch that closes an electrical circuit connecting said battery to said electronic sound generator when said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball coming from any direction; and

(D) an on-off switch that ~~can~~ enables the user of said golf practice device to turn said golf practice device on or off; and

(II) said base is selected from the group consisting of a pin that can be pushed into the ground and material made of small hooks that can be releasably attached to a fabric.

2. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said base is a pin that can be pushed into the ground.

3. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1

wherein said base is a material made of small hooks, whereby said golf practice device can be releasably attached to a fabric.

4. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said sides that are struck by said golf ball are cylindrical.

5. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said sound is that of a ball falling into a cup.

6. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said sound is a human voice.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said sensor switch is a metal spring mounted inside a metal ferrule, so that said metal spring contacts said metal ferrule when said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball.

10. (Original) A golf practice device according to Claim 1 wherein said display generator is an integrated circuit for generating an

electrical signal and a speaker for converting said electrical signal into sound.

11. (Original) A method of improving putting accuracy comprising inserting the pin of a golf practice device according to Claim 2 into a putting green and putting golf balls at said golf practice device.

12. (Original) A method of improving putting accuracy comprising placing a golf practice device according to Claim 3 on a carpet and putting golf balls at said golf practice device.

13. (Currently amended) A golf practice device comprising a body that has vertical sides that can be struck by a moving golf ball, said body having a head portion and a base, where

(I) said head portion contains

(A) an on-off switch ~~for turning~~ that enables the user of said device to turn said device on and off;

(B) at least one battery;

(C) an integrated circuit chip programmed to generate an electrical signal when energized by said battery;

(D) a speaker that generates a sound when energized by said electrical signal;

(E) a single sensor switch that closes an electrical circuit connecting said battery to said integrated circuit chip

when a side of said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball coming from any direction; and

(F) an electrical circuit connecting said battery, said on-off switch, said sensor switch, said integrated circuit chip, and said speaker, whereby said circuit is closed only when said on-off switch and said sensor switch are both closed; and

(II) said base is a pin that can be pushed into the ground.

14. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 13 wherein said sensor switch is a metal spring mounted inside a metal ferrule, so that said metal spring contacts said metal ferrule when said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball.

15. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 13 wherein said sound is that of a ball falling into a cup.

16. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 13 wherein said sound is that of a human voice.

17. (Previously amended) A method of improving putting accuracy comprising inserting the pin of a golf practice device according to Claim 13 into a putting green, turning on said on-off switch, and putting golf balls at said device.

18. (Currently amended) A golf practice device comprising a body that has vertical sides that can be struck by a moving golf ball, said body having a head portion and a base, where

(I) said head portion contains

(A) an on-off switch ~~for turning~~ that enables the user of said device to turn said device on and off;

(B) at least one battery;

(C) an integrated circuit chip programmed to generate an electrical signal when energized by said battery;

(D) a speaker that generates a sound when energized by said electrical signal;

(E) a single sensor switch that closes an electrical circuit connecting said battery to said integrated circuit chip when a side of said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball coming from any direction; and

(F) an electrical circuit connecting said battery, said on-off switch, said sensor switch, said integrated circuit chip, and said speaker, whereby said circuit is closed only when both said on-off switch and said sensor switch are closed; and

(II) said base is a material made of small hooks that can be releasably attached to a fabric.

19. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 18

wherein said sensor switch is a metal spring mounted inside a metal ferrule, so that said metal spring contacts said metal ferrule when said golf practice device is struck by a golf ball.

20. (Previously amended) A golf practice device according to Claim 18 wherein said sound is that of a ball falling into a cup.

21. (Previously added) A golf practice device according to Claim 18 wherein said sound is that of a human voice.

22. (Previously added) A method of improving putting accuracy comprising placing a golf practice device according to Claim 18 on a carpet, turning on said on-off switch, and putting golf balls at said device.